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AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This is an Amendment filed in response to the Office Action rendered December 18, 2002. It is timely filed in view of the Petition for Extension of Time filed concurrently herewith. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments. Kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 27-46 without prejudice.

Kindly add the following claims:

49. A topical composition comprising a penetration-enhancing effective amount of a penetration enhancing composition consisting essentially of ascorbic acid-2-glucoside, Acrylates/C10-30 alkyl Acrylate cross polymer and retinol.